

Region School District 12
Agriscience Committee
Meeting Minutes
June 2, 2025

The Agriscience Committee Meeting was held in the library of Shepaug Valley School on June 2, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m., by Chairwoman Mary Weber. Present were committee members Angela Macchiarulo, Jane Sarjeant and Christine Weydig. Also in attendance were Region 12 Administrators, Dr. Lorrie Rodrigue, Interim Superintendent, Principal Dom Schels and Tyler Cremeans, Director of Agriscience.

1. Approval of minutes: Agriscience Committee Meeting, March 10, 2025
2. Review of current end-of-year events and programs – Tyler Cremeans

Tyler Cremeans gave an overview of upcoming spring events: FFA Banquet and Awards and Spring Field Day. He also told us how proud he was of our Agriscience Academy winning 1st place in two UCONN competitions: Food Science and Parliamentary Procedures. Also, Mina Kheireden was named to the FFA State of Connecticut Officers, a first for the Agriscience Academy. Tyler went on to tell us that our students would be at the Bridgewater Fair. Over the summer, our facilities will be cleaned.

3. Discussion of Advisory Committee - Don Schels, Tyler Cremeans and Lorrie Rodrigue

The future committee will be represented by all ten towns, if possible. There will be more structure in the meetings, with an established agenda, making the meetings more efficient.

4. Vision for 2025-2026 - Don Schels

Don Schels would like there to be maximum opportunities for our agriscience students, especially in courses and experiences. Don would also like to see a unity of culture between our agriscience students and our agriscience students.

5. Final Thoughts - Lorrie Rodrigue

Dr. Rodrigue is excited by the direction the agriscience program is taking. She added that our agriscience teachers are a real resource to the program and make a wonderful team.

6. Adjournment occurred at 5:57 pm.